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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Attorney Docket No. H0004240)
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In the Application of:

Daniel L. Baseman et al.

Serial No.: **10/706,531**

Filed: **November 12, 2003**

For: **Methods for Fabricating Giant
Magnetoresistive (GMR) Devices**

Art Unit: 3729

Examiner: Paul D. Kim

Confirmation No. 6882

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- a. Response to the Office Action Mailed on March 22, 2006; and
- b. 2 Return Receipt Postcards.

2. With respect to additional fees:

☒ No fees are due at this time.

3. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON MARCH 22, 2006

Dear Sir:

In response to the *Ex parte Quayle* action mailed March 22, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.